COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF MINERALS MANAGEMENT)
GROUP, INC. TO INCREASE RATES) CASE NO. 2003-00432
PURSUANT TO KRS 278.485)

<u>ORDER</u>

On November 24, 2003, Minerals Management Group, Inc. applied to the Commission for authority to increase rates effective January 1, 2004. Since 807 KAR 5:026, Section 9(1)(a), requires a gas company that provides service pursuant to KRS 278.485 to submit its tariff at least 60 days prior to the proposed effective date, the earliest date on which the proposed rates can lawfully become effective is January 23, 2004.

The Commission finds that, pursuant to KRS 278.190, further proceedings are necessary in order to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates and that such proceedings cannot be completed prior to the proposed effective date.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- The proposed rates are hereby suspended for 5 months from January 23,
 up to and including June 22, 2004.
- 2. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering a final decision in this case prior to the termination of the suspension period.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of December, 2003.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director